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From: Commandant of the Marine Corps
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Subj: Marine Corps Reserve Officers Association (MCROA) Annual
"Award for Professionalism"

Ref: (a) MCO P1070.12D

1. Purpose. To establish the procedures for the nomination, selection, and recognition of outstanding Marine Corps Reserve company grade officers for subject award.

2. Action. Commanding officers/officers in charge of Selected Marine Corps Reserve (SMCR) units, Mobilization Training Units (MTU's), and Reserve Augmentation Units (RAU's) may nominate candidates on an annual basis; submit the appropriate documentation per the provisions of this Order.

3. Eligibility. To be nominated, each candidate:

a. Must be an officer in the grade of warrant officer through captain in the SMCR, MTU, or RAU and, at the time of nomination, have served a minimum of 1 year with the unit.

b. Must not be a previous recipient of the award.

c. Need not be a member of MCROA.

4. Selection Criteria. A candidate must best exemplify those characteristics expected of an outstanding military officer. Criteria for selection will include:

a. Performance of duty and noteworthy contributions to the United States Marine Corps Reserve within the past 5 years. In this regard, consideration will be given to officers who foster the advancement of their professional and technical skills and who promote the interest of Reserve officers in the United States Marine Corps Reserve.

b. Other demonstrated leadership abilities.

5. Procedures

a. Commanding officers/officers in charge of Reserve units will submit names of recommended candidates and a narrative summary of their performance and qualifications via the chain of command to reach the CMC (RES) by 15 October annually.

b. All nominations will be submitted with a [NAVMC Form 10476](#), Reserve Qualification Summary, completed by the candidate, with the candidate's military and civilian resumes, a current photograph taken per the instructions in paragraph 2002 of the reference, and an endorsement by the commanding officer or nominating officer, as appropriate.

c. The CMC (RES) will select the best qualified officer from the candidates nominated and will notify the MCROA National Headquarters of the final selection by 10 January.

d. MCROA will invite the officer selected to attend the MCROA Annual Military Conference as the guest of MCROA. This includes providing full registration, including meals and hotel accommodations, for the officer and accompanying spouse.


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e. The CMC (RES) will issue the selectee appropriate orders, with travel, for a period not to exceed 2 days, to attend the MCROA Annual Military Conference.

f. Compensation authorized by the orders will be limited to the selectees transportation, pay and allowances.

g. Transportation for accompanying spouse will be borne by the selectee.

6. Award. The recipient will be recognized by MCROA with a plaque to be presented at the MCROA Annual Military Conference.


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